



HORSELL
C OF E JUNIOR SCHOOL

Our School Value this half term is **DIGNITY**

Our new school vision statement

At Horsell C of E Junior School we believe that we are all 'made in the image of God'. Through a commitment to **Christian values** and **high academic aspirations**, we strive to provide a **rich** and **inclusive** education for every member of our school family.

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As we start a new chapter in our life as a school, we have been thinking hard about what it means to be a member of a school community and the key values that bind us all together.

Dignity is a key idea for Christians as it comes from the belief that we are all created in the 'image of God'. This means that all of our unique gifts and talents should be nurtured in an environment where everyone— no matter where we come from or who we are— is equally cherished and valued. 'Dignity' is very important in our new vision statement which we all agreed as a staff and governing body last half term and is at the top of this newsletter.

During this half term we will be exploring the idea of dignity through the theme of respect and rights. In collective worship, we will also be exploring the value through the bible stories of creation (Genesis Chapter 1) and the Samaritan woman at the well (John Chapter 4:4). At the end of the half term, teachers will select a child from each class who they feel has particularly demonstrated the value, and they will be invited for 'afternoon tea' in my office. I'm already looking forward to it!

Mrs Wand

Our New School Values

Dignity (Autumn One)

Hope (Autumn Two)

Justice (Spring One)

Service (Spring Two)

Love (Summer One)

Forgiveness (Summer Two)

'So God created mankind in his own image. In the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.'*

Genesis 1:27

'When it comes to human dignity, we cannot make compromises'

Angela Merkel

'Let it not be said that I was silent when they needed me'

William Wilberforce

Reflection Corner...

You could..

Read this bible story about respect:

Ephesians 6: 1-4

or

Write an acrostic poem about dignity

or

If you are a bit older, find out about the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. Do you think children should have rights? Why? Why not?

